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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE In re Application of: Group Art Unit: Jochen KAP 2126 Serial No: 09/825,298 Examiner: S. Lao Filed: April 2, 2001 Our Client ID: 22827 Confirmation No: 4066 Our Account No: 04-1403 Title: SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR RECEIVED **EXCEPTION HANDLING** MAY 0 5 2004 Commissioner for Patents U.S. Patent and Trademark Office Technology Center 2100 Post Office Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 **AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE** This is an Amendment and Response in the above-identified application and includes the herewith attachment of same date and subject which is incorporated hereinto by reference and the signature below is to be treated as the signature to the attachment in absence of a signature thereto. Fee requirements (if any) have been calculated as shown below: Claims Highest remaining number after previously Present Additional amendment paid for Extra Total Effective Claims X \$18 =20 Independent Claims minus x \$86 =If amendment enters proper multiple dependent claim(s) into this application for first time, add \$290.00 (per application) Since Official Action set an original due date of January 29, 2004 **PETITION** is hereby made for an extension to cover the date this response is filed for which the requisite fee is enclosed (1 month \$110; 2 months \$420; 3 months \$950; 4 months \$1480) If Terminal Disclaimer enclosed, add Rule 20(d) Official Fee (\$110.00) SUBTOTAL: If "small entity" verified statement filed [] previously, [] herewith, enter one-half (1/2) of subtotal and subtract 05/03/2004 HGUTEMA1 00000043 09825298 TOTAL: 950.00 Other: Copy of originally submitted executed Oath and Declaration TOTAL FEE ENCLOSED: The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fee specifically authorized hereafter, or any fees in addition to the fee(s) filed, or asserted to be filed, or which should have been filed herewith or concerning any paper filed hereafter, and which may be required under Rules 16-18 (deficiency only) now or hereafter relative to this application and the resulting official document under Rule 20, or credit any overpayment, to our Account No. shown in the heading hereof for which purpose a duplicate copy of this sheet is attached. This statement does not authorize charge of the issue fee in this case. ADDRESS: **DORITY & MANNING** Post Office Box 1449 ATTORNEYS AT LAW, P.A. Greenville, SC 29602 USA Customer ID No.: 22827 Reg. No: 31,226 Date: April 29, 2004 Telephone: 864-271-1592 Facsimile: 864-233-7342 Signature: "Express Mail" - Mailing Label Number April 29, 2004 Date of Deposit I hereby certify that this paper, papers attached hereto, and/or fee is being deposited with the United States Postal Service "Express Mail Post Office to Addressee" service under 37 CFR 1.10 on the date indicated above and is addressed to Commissioner for Patents, P. O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

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